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November 18, 2007

Mr. Jim Garrison, Chair
Arizona Historical Advisory Commission
1700 West Washington, Suite 200
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear Mr. Garrison:

Enclosed is a completed application from the Pioneers' Cemetery Association (PCA) for an Arizona Centennial 2012 Legacy Project Designation. PCA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization committed to preserving the cemeteries where Arizona's pioneers are buried.

In coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office, the Arizona Association of Funeral Directors, state historical societies, genealogical societies, and others, we are in the process of compiling a complete inventory of pioneer cemeteries in Arizona (from territorial days to 1962, 50 years prior to 2012) with the goal of providing an extensive historic cemetery database and Manual describing how to preserve and protect historic cemeteries which will be completed by the year 2012, the 100 year anniversary of Arizona statehood.

The organizations and numerous individuals have already prepared an inventory form and brochure that give the people in Arizona the opportunity to participate in locating, describing, and obtaining historical information on Arizona's historic cemeteries, family plots, and individual graves. A copy of the form and brochure are included in the application packet.

Results of the project will include a detailed database, listing and publication of known historic cemeteries, Manual, and a presentation packet that can be used by the schools and public in learning more about Arizona's heritage.

If there are questions, we can be reached at 602-534-1262 or email us at pioneercem@yahoo.com. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Frank Barrios, President
Pioneers' Cemetery Association

Enclosures

ARIZONA HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

Application for Arizona Centennial 2012 Legacy Project Designation

AHAC Mission: Develop, encourage and coordinate a statewide plan for Arizona's centennial in 2012 including advising the legislature and state agencies on centennial history and heritage, arts and culture, assisting the governor's countdown to the centennial to support school children learning about Arizona's history and recommending activities and projects that will ensure lasting accomplishments to commemorate the centennial.

Vision for Centennial Projects: Commemorations that encourage all Arizonans to reflect on our unique and authentic history, to experience the rich and diverse tapestry of our heritage, and to explore our promising futures, thus ensuring a lasting legacy.

Legacy Project Criteria: This is a request for official designation as an Arizona Centennial Legacy Project. To be considered, the project must 1) accurately portray a significant aspect of Arizona history; 2) be accessible to large number of visitors/users; 3) demonstrate collaboration in the planning; 4) produce an enduring product that will live on after 2012; 5) include an educational component; 6) include a plan for implementation.

Attach a maximum of three pages that address the following areas, in the order listed:

1. General description of the project.
 2. Describe how this project meets the Legacy Project criteria.
 3. Project timeline. Give details regarding planning and implementation.
 4. Describe the project location.
 5. List project partners, if applicable.
 6. Attach a proposed budget, showing total project cost and funding sources.
 7. Please also provide letters of support from project partners and sponsors.
- These are in addition to the three-page maximum.

Name of project: **Inventory of Arizona Historic Cemeteries**

Applicant: **Pioneers' Cemetery Association**

Contact person: **Frank Barrios, President**

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pioneer cem@yahoo.com

Web Site address

www.azHistCemeteries.org



Signature (authorizing official)

November 18, 2007

Date

The Arizona Historical Advisory Commission will review the Committee's recommendations and make final decisions regarding Legacy Project designations. Submit application to:

Arizona Historical Advisory Committee
1700 W Washington, Suite 200
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Pioneers' Cemetery Association
Application
For
Arizona Centennial 2012 Legacy Project
For
Inventory of Arizona Historic Cemeteries

November 18, 2007

Purpose

The purpose of the Inventory of Arizona Historic Cemeteries project is to gather information on the location, condition, characteristics, and history of Arizona cemeteries, family plots, and individual graves dating from territorial days to 1962, or up to 50 years prior to the centennial year.

Background Information

The Pioneers' Cemetery Association (PCA), a 501 (c)(3) non-profit corporation is the lead sponsor of the Inventory of Arizona Historic Cemeteries project. This project will weave together the rich tapestry of the pioneer settlements of Arizona with data that will include the location of each known historical cemetery in Arizona and its association with early ranches, towns or settlements, individuals, trails, exploration, or mines. Because of Arizona's diverse heritage of mining, ranching, exploration, and settlement, information will include, when possible, background on the reason each cemetery was established.

Meetings began several years ago with PCA, the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), the Arizona Association of Funeral Directors, historical societies, genealogical societies, the U. S. Forest Service, Arizona Cemetery Association, and archaeology companies to discuss the feasibility of such a project. There was unanimous agreement that such a project would greatly benefit the public in its knowledge of the historic background of Arizona

General Description of Project

In collaboration with SHPO, PCA, and the Inventory of Arizona's Historic Cemeteries Working Group (IHAC) a brochure was designed that gives insight into the project. A form titled "Historic Property Inventory Form for Cemeteries and Graves" was produced by SHPO, and accompanies the brochure. (A copy of each item is attached.)

This form is being used to locate, identify, and describe each known cemetery, group of graves, or isolated individual gravesites in Arizona. Information from the forms is stored by the SHPO and will eventually be added to the Arizona State Museum AZSITE database. AZSITE is a relational database that identifies and documents historic buildings and prehistoric sites in Arizona.

Implementation Plan

Members of the Inventory of Arizona Historic Cemeteries Working Group have been organizing volunteers from each County to spearhead the research activities for their particular county. These volunteers will then forward the information to SHPO, which is the primary contact for the database component. The SHPO then shares this information appropriately with the project partners and the public.

Project Timeline

2003 - Initial group formed (volunteers and SHPO)
2005 - Information collection began
2007 - Brochure and Inventory Form designed and produced
2007 - Fall. Volunteer County Committee Chairs solicited and contacted
2007 - November. Initial training workshop for partners and volunteers
2008 - December 2009. Fieldwork will continue with completed forms sent to SHPO and PCA. Data will be entered in a database. Unforeseen issues regarding individual cemeteries will be resolved. Planning will begin on a Manual to answer questions on cemeteries, preservation concerns, etiquette, and conservation techniques, using accepted preservation standards
2010 - January. Manual write up will begin. Cemetery forms will be formatted into a comprehensive database. Forms will be accepted on an ongoing basis.
2011 - January. General layout and writing of Manual will be completed and proofing of projects will begin
2011 - July. Printing of Manual and generation of database onto CDs will begin. Photographs and explanation of projects will be incorporated into a presentation to be used by public and students.
2011 - December. Projects completed.

The written products will allow for future additions. Since the number of gravesites and cemeteries is unknown, we expect that this project will have a continuing component beyond 2012, a lasting legacy.

Project Partners

Pioneers' Cemetery Association, State Historic Preservation Office, Arizona Association of Funeral Directors, Louis Berger Group, Inc., Gila County Historical Society, First Families of Arizona, The Family History Society of Arizona, and the Arizona Cemetery Association.

Results

A comprehensive database will be provided for the general public containing information obtained through fieldwork, archival research, completed forms, and oral histories of known historic cemeteries in Arizona.

Information to be included will be dates of the cemetery, county, city, general location, size, number of known graves, photographs. A paragraph or two on the history of each cemetery will be included on each page.

If individual researchers provide additional information or names of those buried in the graves this information will be attached to the individual cemetery pages.

The wishes of those who want a historic record of their cemetery but do not want it to become public knowledge will be respected. The purpose of the Project is to learn where the cemeteries are for historical purposes, not to make it possible for others to visit or, on a negative note, vandalize them.

Educational Value

The Cemetery Legacy Project will be used to portray the settlement history of Arizona. The distribution of graves throughout Arizona may show a trend towards which areas of Arizona were first settled and the number and ethnic origins of people who settled in each area. It will also give researchers, historians, and the public a better idea of how many burials occurred in Arizona before 1962.

A presentation including photographs and historic information will be completed showing various cemeteries throughout the state. The presentation will be given throughout the Centennial Year to school groups, genealogy societies, and historical societies.

Post 2012

The working group will investigate the feasibility of introducing legislation to provide for a State Register of Historic Cemeteries that may include sections providing means for protecting cemeteries.

Pioneers' Cemetery Association
Proposed Budget
For
Arizona Centennial 2012 Legacy Project
For
Inventory of Arizona Historic Cemeteries
November 18, 2007

The majority of the project will be accomplished with volunteer help. At least 400 hours by over a dozen people have already been volunteered for the Inventory Project. Possible monetary costs include:

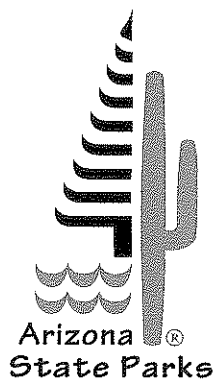
Pioneers' Cemetery Association, Maricopa County Coordinator:

Paper and Copying Supplies:	\$ 40.00
Stamps:	100.00
Photo Archival Sleeves:	100.00
Telephone Long Distance Costs:	20.00
Computer disks:	25.00
Inventory Printout per book:	20.00
Manual per book:	20.00
Public Presentation Materials:	
Miscellaneous:	

County Coordinators:	\$250 X 14
Paper and Copying Supplies:	
Stamps:	
Telephone Calls:	
Travel Expenses:	

Possible Funding Sources:

State Historic Preservation Office
Pioneers' Cemetery Association
Arizona Association of Funeral Directors



"Managing and conserving natural, cultural, and recreational resources"

January 24, 2007

Frank Barrios, President
Pioneer Cemetery Association
P.O. Box 63342
Phoenix, AZ 85082

Re: Inventory of Arizona Historic Cemeteries

Dear Mr. Barrios:

The State Historic Preservation Office supports the Pioneer Cemetery Association in its effort to identify and increase public awareness concerning historic cemeteries and gravesites in Arizona. The SHPO supports the identification effort by serving as the repository of information gathered by partner organizations and volunteers. We believe that knowledge of the location and condition of these sites will provide a valuable base of information from which we might build a more effective program to assist interested citizens and property owners in preserving these valuable cultural places.

This office is available for technical assistance, review of inventory forms and consultation as this project moves forward. We are all optimistic that this project will become a focal point of pride for many communities around Arizona and will create a lasting legacy of the Arizona Centennial.

If you have any other questions or concerns you may contact me at wcollins@azstateparks.gov.

Sincerely,

James Garrison
State Historic Preservation Officer
Arizona State Parks

Janet Napolitano
Governor

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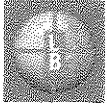
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THE Louis Berger Group, INC.

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October 31, 2007

Mr. Franks Barrios, President
Pioneers' Cemetery Association
P.O. Box 63342
Phoenix, Arizona 85082-3342

RE: The Inventory of Arizona's Historic Cemeteries

Dear Mr. Barrios:

The Cultural Resource Division of The Louis Berger Group, Inc. (Berger) supports the Pioneer Cemetery Association in its efforts to locate, identify, document, and protect through public education the historic cemeteries and graves scattered across Arizona. Such a program will assist both professional members of the historic and archaeological communities in gathering an invaluable base of historic information while also allowing interested citizens of Arizona the opportunity to learn about and preserve these valuable historic places.

Berger has supported this effort by allowing a senior staff member to participate in this project and to utilize computer resources for research and documentation. Further, Berger will continue this level of support as this project moves forward. Again, we strongly support the work of the Pioneer Cemetery Association in this special legacy project undertaken for the Arizona Centennial.

If you or any member of your Association has questions or wish to discuss this matter further, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

THE LOUIS BERGER GROUP, Inc.

Dr. John W. Hohmann, RPA
Senior Principal Investigator and Chief Archaeologist
Western Regional Office
Cultural Resource Division

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Mr Jim Garrison, Chair
Arizona Historical Advisory Board
1700 West Washington, Suite 200
Phoenix, Az. 85007

Dear Mr. Garrison

On behalf of The First Families of Arizona, it is my honor to recommend to you the Legacy Project proposed by the Phoenix Pioneer Cemetery Association (PCA). The First Families of Arizona is an organization of Pioneer families whose descendants came to Arizona prior to Statehood day (prior to February 14, 1912). Many of the first family members are also members of the Pioneer Cemetery Association and have family descendant buried in the Pioneer Cemeteries. Over the years we have worked closely with the PCA and are strongly supportive of their request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank M. Barrios". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid, with a large initial 'F' and a long, sweeping underline.

Frank M. Barrios. President
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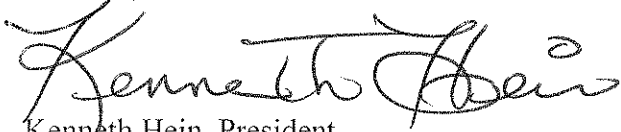
October 3, 2007

Mr. Frank Barrios, President
Pioneers' Cemetery Association
P. O. Box 63342
Phoenix, AZ 85082-3342

The Gila County Historical Society supports the Pioneers' Cemetery Association in its sponsorship of a 2012 Centennial Legacy Project on a comprehensive inventory of Arizona's historic cemeteries and burial sites. These sites are important to local and Arizona. The inventory will help create public awareness of the sites, and will be an important source for historic and genealogical research.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and members of the Gila County Historical Society, please accept our enthusiastic support.

Sincerely,



Kenneth Hein, President



THE FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY OF ARIZONA

P.O. Box 63094
Phoenix, AZ 85082-3094
October 31, 2007

Frank Barrios, President
Pioneers; Cemetery Association
P.O. Box 63342
Phoenix, AZ 85082-3342

Dear Sir:

At its October meeting The Family History Society of Arizona Board of Directors voted to support the Pioneers' Cemetery Association in its sponsorship of a 2012 Centennial Legacy Project to develop a comprehensive inventory of Arizona's historic cemeteries and burial sites. These cemeteries represent the history and biography of our communities and state. The inventory will create a recognition, public awareness and respect. Many of our members have expressed their desire to help with the project.

Publication of this inventory will leave a legacy for future generations, a tool for personal family research and historic research about our communities.

We thank you for the opportunity to support this centennial project. For further information, please contact Susi Fathauer (gafaz@cox.net) 480-893-6689 or myself.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Margaret Rennaker".

Margaret Rennaker, President
margaret166@cox.net
480-990-2348

How Can You Become Involved in Historic Preservation?

Learn more about the history of your community and Arizona.

Join a local preservation, historical, or archaeological organization.

Become a Site Steward.

Encourage heritage education programs in your schools.

Support businesses in your historic downtown districts.

Visit local and state historic and archaeological parks and sites.

Become involved in local and state decisions, ordinances, and legislation that affect historic and archaeological resources.

For more detailed information on programs supporting historic preservation in Arizona, visit the State Historic Preservation Office page on the Arizona State Parks website, at www.azstateparks.com.

For additional information regarding the Arizona Statehood Centennial, visit the Arizona Historical Advisory Commission website at www.azcentennial.gov.

To help with the Inventory Project, contact the PCA at 602-534-1262 or pioneerchm@yahoo.com. Visit the website at www.azHistCemeteries.org.

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Arizona Inventory of



Historic Cemeteries

To Honor All Who Were Arizona



Please join in a special new program to identify and protect these places that serve as the final resting ground of many of Arizona's pioneers and community founders.

Arizona State Parks
State Historic Preservation Office

Treasured Past; Threatened Places

Arizona's historic cemeteries represent a vital link between our present and the past. They exist in every city and town as places of remembrance for departed family members, friends, and other citizens of our communities. No properties more strongly evoke a sense of place than where we have buried those who in life founded and built our communities. Indeed, a historic cemetery is in some instances, the only remaining property of a once-vital community.

But while the dead have been interred in expectation that their graves would serve as their final resting places, the reality is that cemeteries must be cared for in perpetuity or else they will soon show signs of neglect. Trees, grass, and other vegetation, if not tended, eventually die. Weeds and debris slowly accumulate unless regularly removed. Protective fencing and watchful eyes are needed to prevent damage by vandals. Eventually, time itself threatens historic cemeteries as markers erode and records disappear. Furthermore, many people are unaware that cemeteries also exist on private property and few legal protections currently exist.

The Arizona Inventory of Historic Cemeteries

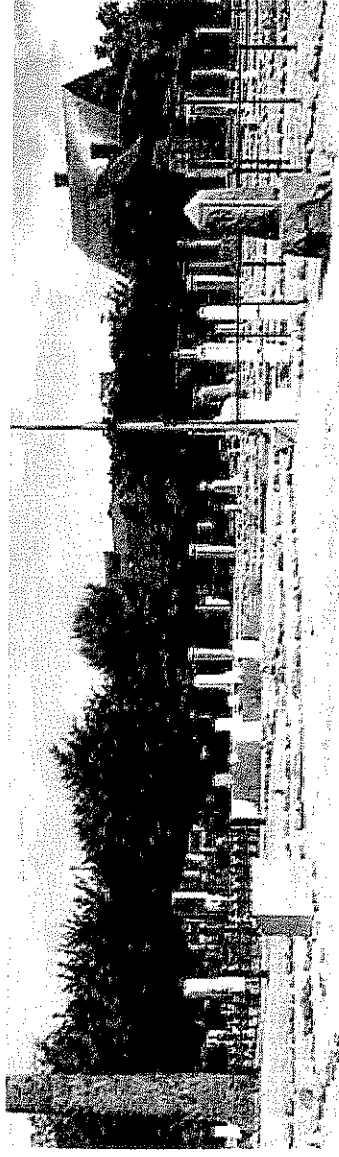
The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), in conjunction with the Pioneers' Cemetery Association (PCA) and volunteers from a number of agencies and organizations, is spearheading an Arizona Statehood Centennial project that will create an inventory of historic cemeteries throughout the state. This will serve as an important step in the preservation of these important places.

A historic cemetery is identified as being at least fifty years old, and consisting of one or more gravesites. While much information has already been amassed over the years, and is in various repositories in the fifteen Arizona counties, a concerted effort is needed to gather information about other cemeteries that suffer from neglect. This effort will consolidate data in one place.

The SHPO, official repository for the collected information, has created a special inventory

form that includes general information about these cemeteries. This information includes cemetery name, location, general condition of the cemetery and any markers, age, number of burials, and other important details. The cemetery owner's name, that of the record keeper, burial authority and the person and group performing the documentation are requested. Because AZ Statute 42-11110 exempts cemeteries from property taxation, the form asks for the tax parcel number. At this time, the statewide project is not seeking such information as the name associated with each burial or rubbings from grave markers.

Accomplishing this necessary work will require the assistance of volunteers. You or your organization may join in this Arizona Statehood Centennial Project by contacting the SHPO, 1300 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007 (602-542-4009), or the PCA at PO Box 63342, Phoenix, AZ 85082-3342 (602-534-1262), or email pioneercem@yahoo.com.



STATE OF ARIZONA**HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM
for CEMETERIES and GRAVES**

Fill out each applicable space accurately and with as much information as is known about the property. Use *Historic Property Inventory Form Continuation Sheets* where necessary. Send completed form to: State Historic Preservation Office, 1300 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85007.

AZSITE _____ OTHER ID # _____

PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION

Enter the name(s), if any, that best reflects the property's historic importance.

1. Cemetery/Burial Historic Name(s) or Designations: _____

2. City, Town, or Community: _____ 3. County: _____

For Location, enter the street address, if any, or specific directions from nearest town, distance from nearest intersection or permanent landmark or state or county road.

4. Location: _____

5. GPS(UTM)Coordinates: _____

Map Attach a map indicating the location of the cemetery/burial or sketch the location on a continuation sheet.

6. Tax Parcel No.: _____ - _____ - _____ ☐ This cemetery filed for tax exemption since 1998

7. Township: _____ Range: _____ Section: _____ 1/4Section: _____ 8. Acreage: _____

9. UTM Reference (On a *continuation sheet*, list the UTM location reference for the point of a single burial, or the corner points of the parcel encompassing the cemetery.)

10. Ownership ☐ Public ☐ Private ☐ Corporation ☐ Tribal ☐ Unknown

11. Age of Cemetery – Earliest Burial _____ Last Burial _____ In Use – Yes ☐ No ☐

CONTACT INFORMATION

12. Owner (Provide contact information concerning the owner or a responsible person with the owning entity.)

Owner Name or contact: _____

Owner or contact address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

13. Record Keeper (Provide contact information concerning the person responsible for maintaining cemetery records.)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

14. Sexton/Burial Authority (Provide contact information for the person responsible for opening graves in the cemetery.)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

DESCRIPTION

(Use continuation sheets where needed.)

15. Number of graves: _____ ☐ Approximate

16. ☐ National Cemetery

17. Description of Grave Marker(s): Mark all that apply

☐ Stone ☐ Wood ☐ Handmade ☐ Obelisk ☐ Military

☐ Concrete ☐ Zinc/White Bronze ☐ Mausoleums ☐ Statuary ☐ Other

If other please describe _____

18. Additional Description/Features: _____

19. Condition: Mark all that apply

- ☐ Well Maintained ☐ Soil Disturbed ☐ Vandalized ☐ Not Easily Identifiable ☐ Other
☐ Poorly Maintained ☐ Disturbed Markers ☐ Overgrown ☐ Easily Identifiable

If other please describe _____

20. Ethnic/Social Associations: _____

21. PHOTOGRAPHS

Attach representative photographs of the cemetery/grave illustrating its general features and characteristics and specific features of interest. All photographs should include the following information: the name of the cemetery/grave, name of the county where it is located, date the photo was taken, and the view direction (looking towards).

22. Ethnic/Social Associations: _____

23. INTEGRITY

To be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places, a property must have integrity, that is, it must be able to visually convey its important. Provide detailed information about the property's integrity in this section. Use **continuation sheets** where necessary.)

24. Location ☐ Original Site ☐ Moved Original Site: _____

25. FORM COMPLETED BY

Name and affiliation: _____ Date: _____

Mailing address: _____ Phone No.: _____

26. FIELD DOCUMENTATION BY: (if different from form completed by)

Name and affiliation: _____ Date: _____

Mailing address: _____ Phone No.: _____

REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES STATUS

SHPO Use Only

27. ☐ Individually listed ☐ Contributor ☐ Non Contributor 28. Date Listed: _____

RECOMMENDATION OF ELIGIBILITY

29. Property ☐ is ☐ is not (eligible for the NRHP) ☐ individually ☐ as a contributing property

30. _____ Historic District

STATE OF ARIZONA
FORM

HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

Continuation Sheet

Name of Property: _____

Continuation Sheet No.: _____

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